CLAIMS (Marked-Up)

What is claimed is:

- 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A clip for a handheld instrument comprising:
 - a. one or more at least one track[[s]] comprising two parallel rails;
 - b. a slidable member, slidingly attached to said track articulated upon said parallel rails.
- 2. (ORIGINAL) A clip as in claim 1 further comprising indicia upon a visible surface of the slidable member.
- 3. (ORIGINAL) A handheld instrument comprising:
 - a. an elongated instrument body;
 - a clip comprising at least one track comprising two parallel rails, and having an upper end and a lower end;
 - c. said lower end of the clip connecting said rails together;
 - d. said upper end of the clip connected with said elongated instrument body; and
 - e. a slidable member slidingly articulated upon said parallel rails.
- 4. (**ORIGINAL**) A handheld instrument as in claim 3, wherein said rails are comprised of metal wire.
- 5. (ORIGINAL) A handheld instrument as in claim 3, wherein said handheld instrument is a writing instrument.
- 6. (ORIGINAL) A handheld instrument as in claim 3, wherein said slidable member further comprises:
 - a. an inner segment, an outer segment, and a middle segment;

- b. said middle segment being smaller in diameter than said inner segment and said outer segment;
- c. whereby said middle segment of said slidable member fits between the two rails and may articulate with said rails such that said slidable member is movable upwardly and downwardly upon the upper and the lower end of said clip.
- 7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A handheld instrument as in claim 6, wherein <u>said outer</u>

 <u>segment is fabricated from transparent material and</u> there is <u>visible</u> indicia imprinted upon the

 middle segment and below [[a]] <u>said</u> transparent outer segment, whereby [[the]] <u>said</u> indicia is

 visible but less likely to wear off over time.
- 8. (ORIGINAL) A handheld instrument as in claim 6, wherein there is indicia visible upon an outer surface of said outer segment, wherein said indicia is brought to the attention of a consumer.
- 9. (**ORIGINAL**) A handheld instrument as in claim 8, wherein said indicia is an advertising logo.
- 10. (ORIGINAL) A handheld instrument as in claim 8, wherein said indicia is imprinted with three dimensional textures, wherein further sensory input is provided to the user of the handheld instrument.
- 11. (CANCELED)
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- 13. (WITHDRAWN) A method <u>for</u> advertising or promotion comprising the imprinting of graphical or printed material on at least one outer surface of <u>the steps of</u>:
 - a. <u>fabricating</u> a clip for a handheld instrument which has one or more at least one track[[s]] comprising two parallel rails and a slidable member, slidingly attached

to said track. articulated upon said parallel rails; and

b. imprinting graphical or printed material on at least one visible surface of said sliding member.

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ABSTRACT (Marked-Up)

A clip comprising a slidable member upon [[a]] at least one track with two parallel rails. is disclosed. The clip may be attached to, for example, a handheld instrument, such as a pen. The slidable member moves along the track stimulating the tactile senses of the user, and allowing the user to dispel nervous tension. Indicia, such as an advertising logo, or graphic material may be placed upon the slidable member, possibly with a transparent cover on it. Also disclosed is a method of getting the attention of a consumer by use of this clip with a slidable member.